

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 3, line 11, with the following rewritten paragraph:

Thus, for example, US 6 187 962 and EP 0 922 691 ~~EP 0 992 691~~ describe a palladium-catalyzed hydroformylation in the presence of sulfones or polynitriles with subsequent separation of the product phase from the catalyst-containing phase and recirculation of the latter. In US 5 648 554, a selective extraction of high boilers and a selection extraction of the catalyst complex using polar solvents such as water, ketones, alcohols, nitriles, amides, diols and carboxylic acids are carried out. US 5 138 101 describes the extraction of the reaction product with alcohol/water mixtures.